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BAXTER SPRINGS, CHEROKEE COUNTY, KANSAS, MAY 9, 1896.

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Mrs. L. H. McMickle, dealer in staple and fancy **GROCERIES** FLOUR AND FEED.

North Military St., Baxter Springs.

FRESH GOODS.
LOWEST PRICES.
PROMPT DELIVERY.
COURTEOUS TREATMENT.

RESTAURANT and Steam Bakery!

Steam Baked Bread,
ROLLER PROCESS,
Wholesale and Retail.

ICE CREAM, wholesale and retail
CAKES MADE TO ORDER.
Tobacco, Cigars and Cold Drinks.

MRS. T. MEYERDING.

D. BEATHON, THE TAILOR

is agent for the celebrated
Clothing House of Wanamaker & Brown
of Philadelphia.

Call and examine goods and prices.

GLOVES! GLOVES! GLOVES!
For Farmers, For Driving,
For Hay Men, For Everybody
CHEAP AT OSBORN'S.

Dave Peake returned Sunday
morning from a business trip to
Kansas City.

All kinds of fancy cakes at Mrs.
Meyerding's Steam Bakery.

An Omaha judge has given the
gold bugs something to think
about. He holds that a mortgage
note made payable in gold is
illegal because it is in violation of
the legal tender law and contrary
to public policy.

All kinds of country produce
taken in exchange for Dry Goods,
Groceries, Boots and Shoes at
OSBORN'S.

The printer's devil of a country
exchange recently came to a
sudden stop while sweeping the
office, and leaning on the broom
handle, sweetly warbled: "I'd like
to be a printer and with the
printers stand, green ink upon my
forehead and benzine in my hand;
and if a mad subscriber came in to
kick and roar, I'd stab him with
the towel that leans against the
door."

Best square meal in the city for
the money at Mrs. Meyerding's.

While out along the state line the
first of the week we noticed that
farms are in a higher state of cul-
tivation this year than ever before.
Wheat looks exceptionally good,
corn is up, growing nicely, and
much of it had been cultivated
once. Oats are looking fine, and
fruit will be in abundance. One
thing we noticed in particular, and
that was the cleanliness of the
fence corners—very few weeds were
visible, and all available ground
had been plowed. Cherokee county
needs more first class farmers.

A. Willard is retailing
bran at 50c per cwt. and
other things in proportion at
his store opposite postoffice.
Call and see him.

St. Mark's Episcopal church will
be re-opened for divine service next
Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Ser-
vices will be held every Sunday even-
ing until further notice. W. E.
Vann of St. Philip's church, Joplin,
will officiate.

Everything in the bread, cake
and pie line at Mrs. Meyerding's.

The case of the United States vs.
Amos Vallier, who killed Joe Big-
knife last fall, went to trial in the
United States district court at Fort
Scott on Wednesday of this week.

Fribley & Twitchell are
headquarters for poultry
netting.

W. S. Norton is at Fort Scott this
week attending the United States
district court.

All kinds of wire fencing
at Fribley & Twitchell's.

Charles Polster was in Galena, on
Tuesday night attending the com-
mencement exercises.

I have just two organs and one
piano left which I will sell at fac-
tory cost price on terms to suit.

A. MACDONALD.

Rice's Garden Seeds.
They are the best.
At McElhiney's.

Edw. G. Polster attended the com-
mencement entertainment at Gale-
na Tuesday night.

Caples' Colic Cure cures. W. E. Price

Decoration day will soon be here.
LIGHT DRAYING DONE DAY
OR NIGHT, BY MAC GILL.

If you are pretty good on figurin'
read J. M. Cooper's offer in another
column.

The New Champion Binder
and Mower at McElhiney's.

J. M. Cooper, R. H. Sands and C. A.
Childs went to Fort Scott Thursday
having been subpoenaed in the Val-
lier case.

Baker Perfect Barb Wire
—bottom prices at
McElhiney's.

Farmers are complaining of some
rust and chinch bugs in the wheat.

Caples' Chill Cure is a dead shot.

No cure! No cost! W. E. Price.

Strawberries are plentiful at four
boxes for a quarter.

Landreth's celebrated
bulk garden seeds at
Fribley & Twitchell's.

Mrs. Hugh Lehman and children
of Galena visited relatives in this
city Thursday.

German Millet Seed at 50c
per bushel at
Fribley & Twitchell's.

Ed Zelleken of Joplin looked after
his interests in this city Thursday.

Caples' Powders relieve all pain.
No cure, no cost! W. E. Price.

Dr. Shriener made a trip to Miami
Tuesday.

Kaffir Corn at Fribley &
Twitchell's.

Dr. M. E. Bramhall will deliver
the address at Cherokee on Memo-
rial Day.

First class tin work of all
kinds at McElhiney's.

In Lowell township Tuesday
before Justice Rounsavell, F. M.
Jones was fined \$5 and costs, mak-
ing \$11.25, for refusing to work out
or pay his road tax.

McElhiney is making some
low prices on Cook Stoves.

The Baxter Springs mineral pros-
pectors have got their shaft down
about fourteen feet, and have been
shooting for several days in layers
of shale and flint mixed. Consider-
able mud has been taken out.
They are now cribbing.

The Plano Manufacturing
Company's Lever Binder
ties the bundle by lever power,
and it never fails to tie.
Cogs, chains and springs are
done away with. The finest
and best binder ever made.
Sold by Fribley & Twitchell.

J. T. Ryan, J. M. Cooper, A. Wil-
lard, Ed. Hodgkins and others have
been subpoenaed as witnesses in
the case of the New England Loan
and Trust Company vs. the City of
Baxter Springs.

Caples' Blood Builder cleanses,
renews, builds. Satisfaction given
or no pay. W. E. Price, agent.

About twenty members of Baxter
Lodge, No. 111, K. of P., went to
Galena Monday night, taking with
them D. A. Bruner, Earl Dent and
Dan Crowell, who were put through
the second term of Pythianism.
After degree work at the lodge
room the visitors were banqueted
at Hoffman's, after which they
returned to the lodge room where
eight candidates were given the
oriental degree, among them being
Harry Doty, D. A. Bruner, Dan
Crowell, Earl Dent, Chas. Jenkins
and Otis McGuire of this city. It
was daylight when the Baxter boys
got home, but they are loud in their
praises of the kind and hospitable
manner in which they were treated
by the Galena boys.

Meals and lunch at all hours at
Mrs. T. Meyerding's.

Benj. S. Warner and wife have
sold to Wiley J. Baldwin lots seven
to fifteen inclusive in block thirty
in Warwick Place addition.

I have just two organs and one
piano left which I will sell at fac-
tory price on terms to suit.

A. MACDONALD.

J. B. Ludlum and wife have sold
to Jane B. Smith lots four and five
in Solomon's addition.

I have just two organs and one
piano which I will sell at factory
cost price on terms to suit.

A. MACDONALD.

The June bug comes the last of June
The lightning bug in May;
The bed bug takes his bonnet off
And says, "I've come to stay!"

Quick Meal Gasoline Stoves
at McElhiney's.

Prof. W. C. Martin, who has been
teaching school at Sarcosie, Mo.,
has returned home for the summer.

A. Willard, at his store
opposite postoffice, is sell-
ing more flour and feed than
all the other merchants in
Baxter put together.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.
The board of education held its
regular meeting Monday evening.
A. Willard and A. D. C. Harvey of
the old board, and J. Bischofberger
and M. H. Gardner, the new mem-
bers, were present.

The minutes of last meeting, held
Feb. 3, were read, and the board
organized by the election of A.
Willard as president and M. H.
Gardner as clerk.

Several applications for positions
as teachers were considered, the
board being of the unanimous
opinion that home talent should be
given the preference, other things
being equal.

The following selections were
made: Principal, J. E. Fox of War-
rensburg, Mo.; teachers, Mrs. S. A.
Crowell, Mrs. John Patterson, Miss
Ora Neff, Miss Jennie Hoke and
Miss Mildred Powell.

The length of term has not yet
been decided.

HOLMES HANGED.
H. H. Holmes, the murderer of the
Peitzel children, and, by his own
confession, many others, was hanged
in Philadelphia, Pa., on Thurs-
day of this week.

Mrs. James Chew visited Galena
Thursday.

Galena talks of sporting a \$25,000
paint plant.

A shotgun wedding took place at
Galena on Wednesday of this week.

C. W. Daniels attended United
States district court at Fort Scott
this week.

J. D. Osborn now occupies the
Henley residence property on South
Military street.

Ed. Hodgkins and Ed. Seaman,
the fat and the lean, visited their
mining interests at Galena Thurs-
day.

Fort Smith will have another day
of sport July 1, says the Vinita
Chieftain. Six men will be hanged
at that time.

While engaged in a game of base
ball at Miami on Wednesday of last
week, Arthur Doty fell and broke
his left arm.

M. H. Eastham returned Thurs-
day evening from Fort Scott where
he had been doing duty as a mem-
ber of the United States grand jury.

The city bond case has again
been continued. Some of the present
generation may live to see that
little matter settled, but it's a ques-
tion.

Township officers will please
remember that the News office
prints township blanks of all kinds
on short notice and on very reason-
able terms.

FOUND.—On Thursday evening,
May 7, 1896, two misses' hats. Own-
er can have same by calling at this
office, proving property and paying
for this notice.

Robt. J. Downing, formerly of this
city, but now residing at Vinita,
I. T., has more cases on hand at the
Fort Smith term of court than any
other lawyer in attendance.

R. S. Edwards, who taught school
near Jintown, I. T., last winter,
forged James K. Moore's signature
to a check for \$22.50 the other day
and departed for pastures anew.

Rev. Richard Hardin was called
to Kentucky Thursday night and
there will be no preaching at the
Presbyterian church Sunday. Sun-
day school and Christian Endeavor
meetings as usual.

The road between the two bridges
east of town has been put in good
shape, but inasmuch as the city did
the work we would suggest that the
city take in the property adjoining
the road and get some taxes.

KIDNEY DISEASES are the most
fatal of all the
diseases. Foley's Kidney Cure, a
guaranteed remedy or money re-
funded, W. E. Price.

Topeka Mai: "Why," said the
Missouri parson, "you don't pretend
to say that that nigger was your
husband. As nice a looking lady
as you and have such a thing for a
husband. That is not half as bad
as my sister done. She married a
pop from Kansas."

McDowell, in the Star-Courier,
gave the coming Baxter reunion a
kindly notice which was copied by
a number of papers throughout the
state. It will now be in order for
the Baxter News to jump onto him
and abuse him for so doing.—Gale-
na Republican. Will the editor of
the Republican please state when
the News abused anybody for
speaking kindly of the Baxter
reunion. We believe that the News
has done as much for the Baxter
reunions as anybody, and always
will.

Prof. C. S. Bowman and wife had
an exciting experience last Sunday.
Returning from a visit with rela-
tives near Columbus they stopped
at a well to give the horses a drink.
Mrs. Bowman and child six months
were in the vehicle while Mr. Bow-
man was attending to the horses,
when they suddenly broke away
and ran about a mile and a half
over one of the roughest roads in
the country. One of the horses
finally fell in a ditch and Mrs. Bow-
man was thrown out, but not badly
hurt. It was really a very exciting
runaway and a narrow escape.

CHOIR CONCERT.
Following is the program for the
choir concert May 12 at the M. E.
church:

Music. Overture, Orchestra.
Chorus, The Heavens are Telling, Haydn.
Choir.
Piano duet, Lion Chase, Kolling.
Misses Polster and Wadsworth.
Music. Selected, Male quartette.
Vocal trio, The Mariners, Randegger.
Messrs. Moore, Perkins and Miss Polster.
Vocal solo, Calvary, Rodney.

Chorus, Selected, Choir.
Mandolins and guitar, Schottische,
Schaefer.
Mr. Fenton, Miss Polster, Mr. Wilkins.
Vocal solo, The Position, Molloy.
Mr. Vann.

Double quartette, Miller's Wooing, Fanning.
Duet, You Know You Do, Westendorf.
Erma McElhiney, Mabel Jones.
Ladies' quartette, Love's Messengers,
Howell.

Miss L. Gertrude Hileman, Mrs. Covell.
Misses Gertrude Hileman and Flo Polster.
Chorus, Spring Song, Newnich.
Choir.
Orchestra.

Admission 25c; children 15c.

PROGRAM
of the second quarterly convention
of the Lyon Township Sunday
School Association to be held at
Mt. Pisgah school house Sunday,
May 17, 1896:

10:00—Devotional exercises one-half
hour, led by J. James.

10:30—Address of welcome.

G. James.

10:45—Song by the convention.

Secretary's report.

11:00—Lesson exercises.

W. H. Starrist.

11:20—Select reading.

W. N. Stowell.

11:30—Question: Why is it so few
parents attend Sunday school?

A. Shearer.

11:50—Appointment of committees.

12:00—Song by the convention.

Dinner, one hour and a half.

1:30—Song service and prayer.

H. Z. Tryon.

1:45—Reports of the Sunday school
secretaries.

2:00—Exercises by different Sunday
schools.

2:45—Declaration by Miss Clara
Silence.

3:00—Question: Who are most re-
sponsible for non-attendance of
the young men in our Sun-
day schools?

Led by J. C. Green.

3:30—Report of visiting committee
and report of committee on
program.

3:45—Miscellaneous business and
collection.

Bring Gospel Hymns and Sunday
School Helps.

Have You Kidney Trouble?

A 50c trial bottle of Foley's Kid-
ney Cure will prevent any serious
results from this fatal disease.
Sold by W. E. Price.

A Cure for Mad Dog Bites.

The Rush, Tex., Standard Herald
says: Mr. G. F. W. Richter, who was
formerly in the military service of
Texas, as ranger and other capacities,
but now living in West Burkle-
y, California, in writing to the
governor, mentions among other
things having seen accounts of sev-
eral persons in Texas being bitten
by mad dogs. He then gives the
following as a cure for mad dog
bites:

The 82-year old R. J. Forrester,
Gastel, declares: "I will not take
often approved remedy to cure the
bites of mad dogs to the grave with
me, but publish it for all; it is the
last service I can do for mankind."

"Take warm vinegar and wash
the lacerated part, dry it and then
drop muriatic acid in the wound; it
will destroy the poison and make it
harmless. This is less painful than
burning or cutting a piece out.

Vinegar enough can be heated in a
tin cup over a lamp immediately;
the quicker the better."

FRESH GROCERIES.

Mrs. L. H. McMickle has a fresh,
clean stock of staple and fancy
groceries on North Military street
and solicits a share of your patron-
age. Also feed and hay. Prices as
low as the lowest.

Fod Gill viewed the sights in
Galena Tuesday.

Hay, Grain and Feed bought and
sold at the stone barn.

Caples' Salve heals all sores.
No heal, no pay! W. E. Price.

Some good work was done on
South Military street this week.

Read the program of the choir
concert which is published else-
where in this paper.

Miss Winnie Haines of Kansas
City visited her relatives in this
city and Galena this week.

Mrs. A. A. Warner, Miss Winnie
Haines and Mrs. Geo. H. Haines
spent Monday in Galena.

C. D. Ashley of Columbus will
deliver the Memorial Day address
at this place.

The man Gallagher who was shot
at Baxter is still improving. The
strange part of it is a man named
Jones shot him clear through, pen-
etrating the lung, and two doctors,
both named Jones, attended him.
The man is undoubtedly possessed
of iron nerve to live through such
an ordeal.—Galena Post.

H. R. CROWELL'S DEFALCATION.
A Taxpayer Makes Some Pertinent
Inquiries.

The following explanation of mat-
ters and things is from the Colum-
bus Star-Courier:

EDITOR STAR-COURIER: Will you
kindly inform the people of the
county what is the amount of H. R.
Crowell's defalcation to the county;
the cash value of the security he
has placed in the hands of the
county commissioners to secure
said defalcation, and the amount of
mortgage on each piece of said
property? Will you also inform the
people how and why he has not
been prosecuted and why suit has
not been instituted against his
bondsmen? Is it the purpose of the
county officers to allow the statute
of limitations to interfere and the
bondsmen allowed to dispose of
their property so that a judgment
will be inoperative? Such would
seem to be the purpose of those
who have charge of our county
offices. There must be something
wrong somewhere.

TAXPAYER.

The matter to which our cor-
respondent directs attention is worthy
of all the information that can be
given and we have aimed to gather
all the facts relative thereto that
would be of interest to the taxpay-
ers and citizens generally of this
county. As is well known, H. R.
Crowell, who was in the banking
business in this county, at Baxter
Springs and in this city, for a long
series of years, was, during the
greater portion of the time he was
in business in this city, the bank
of deposit for the county funds. Dur-
ing the time he gave two bonds for
the safe security of the funds, the
last one and the one still in force
and effect being filed and approved
April 13, 1891, in the sum of \$125,000,
and was signed by the following
citizens:

G. G. Gregg Wm. March
J. C. Naylor John Russell
J. C. Little Ira C. Perkins
L. Murray Perkins L. Brewster
R. H. Talbot David Crowe
J. M. Robinson E. C. Scammon
E. A. Scammon

On June 25, 1894, there was a
special meeting of the county com-
missioners to consider the matter
of Mr. Crowell's defalcation to the
county and the journal of that date
bears the following entry:

H. R. Crowell and his bondsmen
were present. Mr. Crowell acknowl-
edged a legal demand upon him for
the balance due Cherokee county,
amounting to \$33,373.12. Whereupon
H. R. Crowell appointed as his
trustees to take charge of his prop-
erty E. A. Scammon, David Crowe
and Ira C. Perkins.

In other words, upon an agree-
ment with the county commission-
ers, Mr. Crowell turned over all his
property to his bondsmen and Dr.
Scammon, David Crowe and Ira C.
Perkins were appointed trustees to
take charge of the same and dis-
pose of it in liquidation of the
claim of the county.

Mr. Crowell and his bondsmen
held that if the commissioners
would give them time they could
dispose of the property and meet
the obligation without injury to
them or the county, and believing
that was the better plan to pursue
in recovering the amount due the
county, the commissioners acted
upon it and the trustees appointed
have since then been using every
effort to dispose of the property to
the best advantage and turning the
money over to the county treasurer.

The books of the county treasurer
show that the actual indebtedness
of Mr. Crowell to the county, and
on which he defaulted payment,
was \$33,373.90.

The county treasurer's books
show the following payments made
toward the liquidation of the debt:

September 3, 1894	\$ 600.00
November 8, 1894	000.00
February 11, 1895	1,800.00
September 18, 1895	3,000.00
January 11, 1896	3,000.00
Total	\$9,400.00

Leaving at this time still due and
unpaid \$24,373.90.

Our correspondent asks what is
to show, or what hopes has the
county in recovering the debt from
the property of Mr. Crowell as now
held by the bondsmen.

To obtain this information we
called upon Dr. E. A. Scammon of
this city, one of the trustees, or cus-
todian of the property. Dr. Scam-
mon at once expressed a willing-
ness to give us all the information
possible and said that at no time
had he or any of the bondsmen
tried to cover up or withhold
from the people in regard to the
Crowell defalcation. He said that
while he was perhaps personally
interested, he believed that the
commissioners had acted wisely in
giving the bondsmen opportunity
to settle the defalcation without
sacrifice to anyone, except perhaps
the use of the money by the county,
which, if repaid, as it will be,
would take the place of funds, not
necessary to be levied for in the
future.

The doctor said that the property
turned over to them and not yet
disposed of was the bank building
in this city, every room of which
is occupied and bringing in a good
investment. The estimated value
of this building is about \$14,000.
There is a mortgage of \$4,500 on

CASH PREMIUMS FOR OUR CUSTOMERS!

which may be obtained as follows:

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 0.

Add the numbers so as to foot up 100. Use every
figure; use none of them more than once, but any two
figures may be used together in combination.

Any person purchasing of us one dollar's worth of
merchandise may hand in at the time a solution of the
problem. If correct and corresponding with one we have
on file, we will refund to said purchaser one dollar on
July 2, 1896.

There is no deception in the problem. Although dif-
ficult, it can be done, and we therefore reserve the privi-
lege of discontinuing this proposition at any time when
correct solutions become too numerous.

Our new and attractive line of Dry Goods, Clothing,
Boots and Shoes contains many specialties at wonderfully
low prices, which we want you to examine.

JOHN M. COOPER.

Baxter Springs, Kansas.

this property. The electric light
plant of this city is valued at about
\$12,000, or at least is said to have
cost that much. There is a judg-
ment against the plant of \$4,500.

The doctor said the trustees hoped
in time to realize something from
the plant, but do not any immediate
disposition of the property.

The property at Miami, I. T., or
interest in the town company, Dr.
Scammon thought, will realize them
about \$2,000 in a very short time.

The hope of the trustees, however,
in being able to meet the obliga-
tions required of them is from the
Scammon Coal Company's plant and
mines, of which they, as trust-
ees, are the largest holders. Dr.
Scammon expressed the opinion
that from this mine they would be